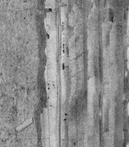

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Workers Seek To Pass Record For Seal Sales

Workers in the annual Christmas Seal and Bangle campaign are trying to exceed the record for recent years. The sales for the past three years have been as follows: 1937, $184.38; 1938, $272.82; 1939, $254.29.

Christmas Seals are sold by the Virginia Tuberculosis Association. Tuberculosis kills more Virginians during their productive years of life than any other cause, according to figures compiled by the State Bureau of Vital Statistics and released through the Virginia Tuberculosis Association.

Last year, the figures show tuberculosis was the leading cause of death among people between the ages of 15 and 45 years, with a total of 912 fatalities.

In the same age brackets, accidents took second place, with a total of 898 deaths. Heart disease, generally regarded as the leading killer, resulted in third place with a total of 547 deaths, 365 less than the number who died from tuberculosis.

"Is it any wonder," asked J. Vaughan Gary, president of the Virginia Tuberculosis Association, "that we cannot relax our program to cure and control tuberculosis?"

He added that it should be a cheerful thought to those who purchase Christmas seals to know that the money they subscribe makes up the fund used to protect from tuberculosis the young people who are its chief victims.

Ousted Laval is called to Vichy for talks with Hitler's representative.

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RocksPersonals

Rocks, December 18.- Farmers are busy stripping tobacco, getting in winter wood and plowing.

Rev. C. A. Collins, Jr., preached a fine sermon at Rocks Sunday morning to a large congregation.

Miss Ethel Garrett attended the birthday party given Miss Louise Garrett at Evergreen recently.

Mrs. Sherman Garlingtonwas spent last Thursday and Friday with her daughter, Mrs. P. H. McPhillips, of Hickory.

Mrs. Jesse Anderson, of Piney River is spending this week with Mrs. A. T. Anderson and Mrs. Blass Ranson.

Mr. and Mrs. Woodrow Fleshman spent Saturday night with her father, J. H. Ranson.

Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Ranson and daughter, Etta spent last Sunday in the home of Mrs. W. F. Ranson.

Mrs. E. M. Almond, of Lynchburg spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Anderson, of Pamplin.

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Richardson, of Farmville spent Sunday with her mother, Mrs. D. R. Inge.

Our community was shocked last Wednesday by the passing of our beloved friend, Mrs. J. R. Hamilton of Evergreen. Deepest sympathy is extended to the bereaved family.

Seven killed in mine blast at Beckley, W. Va.

Play safe —drive carefully.

COLORED DOTS

The general public is invited to attend a special Christmas exercise to be conducted at the Carver high school this Friday night at 8 P.M. The exercise will be sponsored by members of the grades department.

The public is invited to worship at the Promisland Baptist church this Sunday. Special Christmas services will be conducted. The church choir will render Christmas music.

At 8 P.M. the state's rally will come to a close. The rally has been on for several weeks. There are 48 capitains working.

Rites of Mrs Eva Coleman

An appreciative audience of relatives, friends and admirers paid their last tribute of respect to the life of Mrs. Eva Coleman, who died suddenly at her home here last Sunday at 3 P.M., at funeral services conducted at the First Baptist church Wednesday, December 11 at 2:30 P.M., with Rev. C.C. Marshall officiating.

Rev A. E. Jordan, principal of the Carver high school presided. The church choir rendered several favorite selections of the deceased. Little Ezra Hamlet sang a beautiful solo, "All the Way With Jesus." Resolutions were read from the church Ladies Aid society, and several societies and organizations, by Rev. F.D. Yates, pastor of the Galilee church. Rev. J.A. Carter, pastor of the Promisland church, assisted in the service. She leaves the following: a husband, two daughters, a son, three grand children and a host of relatives and friends. Interment was in the family burying ground.

Misses Hart, Stevens and Revs. Yates and Nelson Jordan were the Sunday dinner guests of Mrs. Bettie Flood and family.

Miss Mildred Hart entertained the Modernistic club at the home of Mrs. Lucy Stephens last Saturday evening.

Miss Vera Lee Flood and friend of Washington spent Sunday here with her mother.

Miss Annie Chilton is spending the winter in West Virginia with her sister.

Funeral services were conducted over the remains of Mrs. Ida Hancock who died last Friday night at her home, last Sunday at 3 P.M., at the Promisland church with her pastor, Rev. J. A. Carter officiating. The deseased was 68 years old.

Rendezvous by L

HOMESICKNESS, perhaps, had brought him back. Old Peter Johansen buttoned his threadbare overcoat, blew warm breath on his rough hands and jumped to the ground. There was no railroad detective to grab him for riding that freight train, because this was the day before Christmas. All but the homeless, like himself, seemed busy preparing for the Day of Days.

Forty years, Peter reflected, since he last set foot in Clark City. It had been a year after the big earthquake a year after all hell broke loose, killing his parents and sister as they sat at dinner in the little house on Vine street.

Peter remembered. How he had come home late that evening; how the earth began quivering like a beast possessed; how he had

Peter stood alone for a long time watching the star appear.

searched like a madman through the ruins of that shock-wracked, fire-swept bungalow. Then, as Clark City began rebuilding, he had drifted off in a daze to roam up and down the earth—a ne'er-do-well, a hobo!

But always he remembered Linda, dear little sister Linda. In 40 years her memory always came back stronger than ever on Christmas Eve, for it was then that they used to climb Lookout Hill hand-in-hand at dusk, watching the evening star rise in the heavens.

That, perhaps, was why he was back this Christmas Eve.

"Almost dusk now," he reflected, trudging along Clark City's busy thoroughfare. Christmas crowds jostled him, for he was a hapless wanderer with no place to go.

No place to go? Not Peter! Soon he found his way to the old residential district where Lookout Hill rose like a sentinel.

"The same old hill," he told himself. "Little Linda! If you were only here now to see your big brother! No—thank God you're not here, for your big brother is ashamed of himself!"

At the crest Peter stood alone for a long time, watching the star appear as it had since that first night over Bethlehem. He didn't notice the old lady until she spoke.

"Beautiful, that star, isn't it?"

Peter fumbled with his grease-stained cap.

"Yes'm, it is. Especially from Lookout Hill."

"Many years ago," she continued, almost in a trance, "my little brother and I used to watch that star rise in the heavens each Christmas Eve, until—" (she wiped a tear away)—"we were separated somehow during the big earthquake. He was killed, they found out later.

"Each Christmas Eve ever since I've come back here, just to remember him. I hope he's happy up there in Heaven."

Peter was staring at her, fairly ready to shriek, for it was Linda! No doubt about it, now!

He recognized the tilt of her nose, unchanged by the years; the familiar ring of a voice that somehow had failed to grow old. But he held himself back, for Peter was ashamed of himself.

She didn't notice him shuffle off after awhile, for Linda was still watching the star.

In the freight yards he found an empty boxcar and bedded down under some straw in a corner. After a while he felt the car move, and somehow he was glad.

"Yes, it was Linda," he sobbed to himself, "but I just couldn't tell her. Thank God she's alive and happy. And Thank God she remembers me on Christmas eve as I was, not as I am."

After awhile he fell asleep.

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Dimple in Cheek

'Tis a fact, but no person, possessor of a charming dimple in cheek, has ever been known to commit a major crime, according to Max Tiza, police councilor of Miskoic, Hungary.

The police councilor further states that such an indentation indicates a high moral and mental standard and also indicates that he is reliable and an all around asset to humanity.

Australian troops aid English in African campaign against Italy.

Jobs Offered To Maids By State Employers Ser.

Competent and fully experienced white and colored maids are needed for work in private homes in northern Virginia, just across the Potomac River from Washington, D.C., it was stated today by Mr. Ralph M. Turner, manager of the Lynchburg office of the Virginia State Employment Service.

Persons desiring this work must be in good physical condition and be able to perform all kinds of work in private homes. Rates of pay range from $7.00 to $10.00 per week in addition to meals and living quarters, which are provided by the employers. A higher rate of pay may be obtained by persons who are well experienced and trained in domestic work. All maid be willing to live on the employer's premises.

Mr. Turner further stated that all interested persons should make application immediately at 10th and Church Sts., Lynchburg, Virginia where full information may be obtained. The office hours are from 8:30 A.M. to 5 P.M., Monday through Friday and from 8:30 A.M. to 12 noon on Saturdays. All persons applying should bring written recommendations from former employers who can vouch for their honesty, experience and fitness for domestic work. The Lynchburg office of the Virginia State Employment Service serves the employers and workers of Amherst, Appomattox, Bedford and Campbell counties and the city of Lynchburg.

Vagabond Collegian

"The Vagabond Poet" of Michigan State college can justify his title. At 24, Rex B. Naugle Jr., has lived in every state in the Union and in all provinces of Canada.

Naugle was born in York, Pa., while his parents were on their way from New York to Tulsa, Okla. His father, an engineer, has had a position keeping the family constantly on their travels, and in his last three years of high school, Naugle attended 10 schools.

Roosevelt, back from vacation, suggests plan to "lend" certain war materials, planes etc., to England.

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Dear Santa,

Today as I am thinking of Christmas drawing near, I thought I would let you know what I would like for you to bring me. I am a little girl two years and three months old and I think I have been very, very good, so I would like for you to bring me a doll, wagon, Teddie Bear, chair and all kinds of confections. Please Santa, don't forget the other children and my Mother and Dad. From Little

Peggy Faye Wooten.

Spout Spring, Va.

Dear Santa,

I want to apologize for bothering you by writing when I know how ready for Christmas night, when you have to make your long journey. I'm hoping you will stop at my house and I'm looking forward to your visit with great pleasure. I have tried to be a good girl and I want you to bring me a Mama, Papa Doll, and the skirt and sweater that I showed you last Monday. Please don't disappoint me and be good to all other little boys and girls.

Frances Carson.

Spout Spring, Va., December 16, 1940

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Frances Carson.

Spout Spring, Va., December 10, 1940.

Dear Santa Claus,

I am a little girl. I live in Spout Spring. I have been good all the year. I want you to bring me a doll, bed and piano. Bring me some candy, apples and oranges too. I hope you are well. Your friend,

Helen Cyrus.

Spout Spring, Va., December 10, 1940.

Dear Santa Claus,

Please bring me a kitchen cabinet, some story books and nuts. We are making Christmas books at school. Your friend,

Betsy Wheeler.

Appomattox, Va., December 14, 1940.

Dear Santa Claus,

I am a little boy four years old. I have tried to be good and I hope you will come to see me.

Please bring me some candy, chewing gum, oranges and nuts. I want a pair of socks, a little rock tis, a cap and sweater. Please bring me tractor.

Be real good to the other boys and girls. Please don't forget grandma and grandpa, because they have moved to their new home. I am looking for you. Your friend,

Benjamin Beasley.

Spout Spring, Va.,

Dear Santa Claus,

Please bring me some oranges, English walnuts, nigger toes, peanuts and a wagon. Please bring me some candy, an automobile and a tricycle, too. Don't forget to come to see my little sisters and brother.

Your little friend

Albert Maxey.

Spout Spring, Va.

Dear Santa,

I know you are very busy now. So I am writing to let you know what I want for Christmas. I want a hood, a doll, a doll carriage, a color book, some colors and a snow suit. I have tried to be a good little girl. Please don't forget other little girls and boys.

Your little friend,

Nancy Roberts.

Spout Spring, Va.

Dear Santa Claus,

I am a little girl nine years old. I enjoyed the toys you brought me last Christmas. Please be kind to all the children around and remember mother and daddy. I also want you to bring grandpa something. Please bring me a wrist watch and a lot of good things to eat. I have tried to be good.

Your little friend,

Doris Franklin.

Hundreds of children were in Appomattox last Saturday to welcome Santa Claus.

Dear Santa Claus,

I am a little girl two years old and I would like very much for you to bring me a red wagon, doll baby, big ball and some orange juice. Don't forget to come to see Ann Calvin too. Goodbye,

Ottie Conner.

Play safe —drive carefully.

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a book case, magazine rack and desk lamp for my room. I would like some clothes too and a Gene Autry pistol. If you have anything else to spare I would be glad of it. Good luck.

Bolly Conner.

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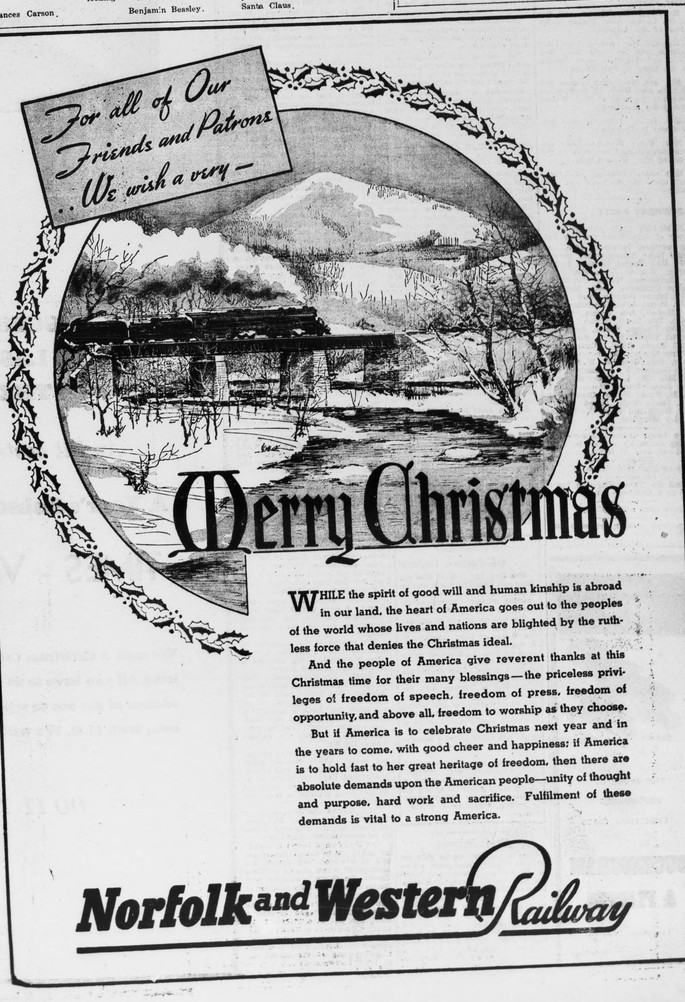

WHILE the spirit of good will and human kinship is abroad in our land, the heart of America goes out to the peoples of the world whose lives and nations are blighted by the ruthless force that denies the Christmas ideal.

And the people of America give reverent thanks at this Christmas time for their many blessings—the priceless privileges of freedom of speech, freedom of press, freedom of opportunity, and above all, freedom to worship as they choose.

But if America is to celebrate Christmas next year and in the years to come, with good cheer and happiness; if America is to hold fast to her great heritage of freedom, then there are absolute demands upon the American people—unity of thought and purpose, hard work and sacrifice. Fulfilment of these demands is vital to a strong America.

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